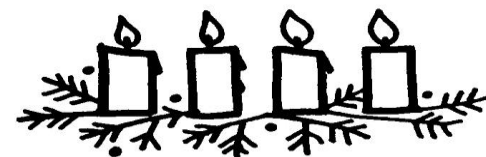


ADVENT FAMILY SERVICE 2017

JESUS IS COMING



PRAYERS

We are waiting for good news.

We are waiting.

We are waiting for the time of celebration.

We are waiting.

We are waiting for the coming of Jesus.

We are waiting.

Please be with us as we pray

We join in singing



Light the Advent Candle one,
now the waiting has begun.
We have started on our way:
time to think of Christmas Day.

Candle, candle burning bright,
Shining in the cold winter night.
Candle, candle burning bright,
Fill our hearts with Christmas light.

We listen to God's Word

Lots of people came to John the Baptist and said: "What do we have to do?" John said: "Share things with each other, and don't be greedy either!" Everyone thought John was going to be the great king, and they all began to get excited. But John said: "I am not the great king that God promised to send. Someone else is coming after me, and he is much more important than I am. "In fact, he is so great that I am not even good enough to untie his shoe-laces!"

Let us take some time to be still.

LITANY OF PRAYERS

God our Father, we want to see Jesus:

Come, Lord Jesus!

We want to hear your voice:

Come, Lord Jesus!

Come and take care of us:

Come, Lord Jesus!

We are your children:

Come, Lord Jesus!

Help us speak your words:

Come, Lord Jesus!

Help us to share with others:

Come, Lord Jesus!

Help to be cheerful and kind:

Come, Lord Jesus!

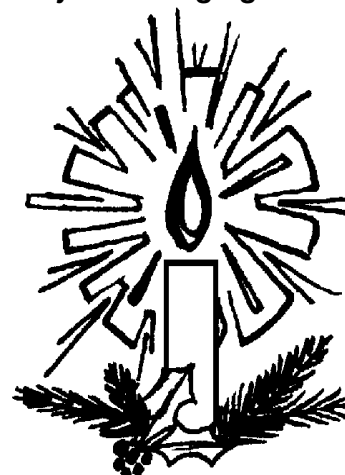
Help us to pray each day:

Come, Lord Jesus!

Heavenly Father, we thank you for your love,

Come, Lord Jesus, come.

We join in singing



Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts,
shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your Church gathered today.*

Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come.